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Media Advisory

Safe Speed Automated Enforcement

Warning Period Extended

On March 12, 2007, the Montgomery County Police Department and the City of Rockville Police Department began a warning period for the new Safe Speed photo radar speed enforcement program. The warning period was designed to allow time to fully test the new equipment and processing systems, inform the public about the new program, and install uniform signage at the speed enforcement zones. Later this summer, the City of Gaithersburg, Chevy Chase Village and Takoma Park Police Departments will also begin using Safe Speed automated enforcement.

Special warning signs are currently being installed at every entry point to Montgomery County and an agreement was just reached with the Maryland State Highway Administration to allow signage at any speed enforcement zones located on state roadways.

To ensure this program continues to operate in the most fair and open manner possible, the warning period is being extended by Montgomery County Police and Rockville City Police, so that all necessary signage can be in place. The departments want to make sure the public is fully informed about where the technology is deployed before the first actual citations are issued.

Montgomery County Police will announce the formal date when the first actual citations will be issued as soon as the date is finalized.

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